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I chasten whom I love, And scourge whom I receive ; In mercy I represe— " He still," in God believe.

-M. L. G. F

Affoat in the Flirt.

One holiday that I had affords me nore amusement by a long way than it didn't the time. The treth is, it was an awful affair altogether, and it is only now when I can laugh unfeignedly at it myself that I can bear to repeat it, even on paper. There were three of us, engaged in the plot, and we bound our selves solemnly under the most direful penalti s to protest that we had never enjoyed a holiday so much; but I have reasons for believing that Tom and Jack have both violated the'r obligations, and

I feel at solven thereby from wine. This is now it all happened. You see we (that is Tom, Jack, and I) thought it. fortunate at the time that all our holidays fell upon the same first formight in August ; but as it turned out it -vasn't ; for if it hadn't been for that circumstance we'd never have had our terrible experience with the Flirt.

But I am going too fast. Our holidays fell at the same time, as I have said, and many plans for making the most of both the time and the money at our command were discussed and abandoned, At length the idea was mooted that it would not be a bad arrangement to hire a yacht for a fortnight and spend our holidays in cruising about in her. Like most young men belonging to Glasgow, we had all had some experience of boating on the Firth of Civde and could boast a little of our mutical knowledge when smoking a cigar on the bridge of a river steamer

The plan proposed was to work won ders. For instance, we would not be confined to one place, nor to the backneyed steambout routes, but could go where ever the spirit moved us (what about i if we forgot that three spirits might no work exactly in unison for a whole fortnight!). Then we would save the price of lodgings-we would have no one to bother us about when we came in at night-we would-&c., &c., &c. To whom belonged the credit of the happy thoughts I will not undertake to deter mine. This I know that we all claimed the paternity of it before the holidays, and we at repud ated it after them.

The only question was, could we get syacht? and I remember how Tom and I (I am Bill) could almost have hugged Jack when, one evening, he announced that he had managed to charter(that was the word) a ten-ton cotter from a fell ow he knew. The fellow and said that the Flirt-such was the attractive name of the yacht-was perhaps a little slow, but that she was perfectly safe and just the thing for us as we meant to work her ourselves. Of course, we invested in blue pilot jackets -- they would serve in place of topcouts for the Winter, with the brass buttons taken off, and it could scarcely be expected that we would resist the temptation to mount a tinsel band on our caps. Then I borrowed a binocular from a friend-not forgetting the case, for it's the leather case slung over the shoulder and under the left arn which produces the impression,-and the other fellows managed to hunt upa pair of open-glasses by "cin. of their joint exections.

Thus provided, we one Monday morning deployed at the railroad station and stormed a first-class compantment. The gold bands on our caps attracted the proper amount of attention; but we felt that it would not be quite fair to leave them unsupported in the task of apholding our nautical reputation. So we plunged into sea talk with a recklessliess which gives my hair a tendency to rise on end even yet when I think of it.

With the blindness of infatuation we rattled on unaware of what we were doing till we reached Port Glasgow, where an old yellow-faced gentleman, who had been playing the most flatter ing attention to our talk agot out. After stepping upon the platform he turned, and putting his head back into the carringe, said with much compassion.

"Let me assure you, young gentlemen on the word of an old sailor, that the best ramedy for sea sickness is brandyand water. Be sure to take plenty of it

with you, for you'll need it." Then he closed the door with meat

solemnity. We tried to smile, but I am sure we were neither so succession in the attempt as we could have wished nor as the other passengers were; and we felt relieved when the train reached Greenock and we got away from the scene of our hum-Hatlon.

The feeling of having been taker lown soon wore off, however, under the influence of the sea and the hills, and by the time we had walked the length of Fort Matilda we had quite re-

gained our usual'spirits And now as the yachts at anchor in Gourack Bay came into view the binocular and the opera glass were brought ato requisition in the hope of making out the word Firt in gold lettering either on the bow or stern of one of the

fairy crafts. Need I say that it was only the finest looking of the yachts that we examined thus anxiously; but it appeared to be rule among yacktsmen not to follow the vuleur pratice of merchantmen in plant ing the name apon their vessels so we desisted from our examination with the comforting reflection that our surprise would afford us all the greater pleasure

when she was pointed out to us. Jack proposed that we should each select a yacht and have a sweepstake of half a trown a piece upon our selections and Tom jumped at the proposal in a moment, picking out the finest looking vessel in the bay as his favorite. Jack protested that he had stolen a march upon him, but at length made his choice, selecting a cutter that a lord need not be ashamed of cwning. Believing it to be unlikely that amid such a number of craft any of us would fix upon the right one, I, for the fun of the thing, chose a far from the shore, with green sea-weed clinging to the chain cable of her anchor and which looked as it she had recer made the acquair tance of a paint-brush I was rallied greatly upon my selection Jack declaring that she had been model ed on the lines of Nosh's Ark, and that the head of the man who built her would never ache again; while Tom's merriment came near to throwing him into

convulsions. It was not without some difficulty that we managed to bunt up the Ancient Mariner who was to hand che. Flirt over to our charge; but at length, after being directed to various public houses which he was known to frequent, we found him comfortably seated behind some porter selectrows on the quay playing ca\*ch-the-ten with some boon compan

ions upon the round top of a pail. He did not realize our idea of the true old salt by pulling his forelock and addressing us as "your honors" when we made our errand known to liim; but, throwing as much compassi in into his countenance as the possession of only one eye and the management of pretty free consumption of spirits would admit of, he said-

"And do you really mean to sail the Flirt, young gen'l'men." We were still young in experience, and, despite the damping effect of his manner, we assured him that we did mean to sail her, and that we would astonish him by showing what the little hussey could do with proper handling. We seemed to have astonished him already, for he stood surveying us from head to foot for a minute, and then without uttering a single syllable he turned and walked down the quay, Iry-

ing to whistle a melanchoiy air. Somehow his demeanor was not so inspirang as we had expected it would be and Torh's cheery voice was not in its best form when he inquired if the gig was ashore, as it would be better to go on board in her than in a hued boat, The Ancient Mariner again paused to take a survey of us; then, he removed his hat, and, taking a handkerchief from it, wiped the perspiration from his brow after which performance he replaced his bat, and with a deep groan resumed his

We followed slowly in his wake,

nock train it was perfectly desperate, come as stiently at if we were at a tun. order and the water bailed out of the eral, and in about as cheerful a manner as if we were following the mortal remains of some door friend.

The bandy-legged, rolling style of walk which I had been practicing so as siduous y at home for a forteight. was completely forgotten in the curious feeling of appromhension which the Ancient Mariner's doleful mannor had aroused, an apprehension which both Jack and Tom seemed to enterlain as lively a sense of as myself

At length the Ancient Mariner stopped and pointing seaward, exclaimed;

"There . pp. is, young gen'l'men That's the little hussey! Am't she a icanty?"

There she was, sure enough, and I had on the aweepstales!

The old, dirty, unwieldy looking craft that we had poked fun at so unmercifully a short hour previously, was veritably the Flirt, about whose virtues we It was as well for the "tellow" whom Jack knew that he was not present at distinguished or a horrible crime would in all likelihood have been added to the already dark annuls of our national history. Love to all mankind was not, at any rate, the uppermost feeling in our a small boat. minds just theu and I am afraid Jack recolumns:

vere we to do with her?

she was only half-decked, Jack jumped the sail again, our oars and hald hold of the side of the to us which we could not make out, and yacht, just as Jack's head, minus till which we could not have obejed even W. P. C. L. mislap which had betaller him, for the doom was seated, when a shout from stern half of the yach being undecked, Jack, who was still at the helm, attract the rain had been falling for three weeks ed my attention, and looking in the dipreviously converted that part of the rection in which he pointed, I sew a which exhibited those varieties of color other yacuts to the buy. On they came, which belokened a liberal admixture of diancing over the Jug waves, impelled by tar and other smaller ingredients. Alas the stalfal force of four stout arms, and for Jack's brand-new phot-picket! As not a moment too soon; for scarcely we wrang the water out of him, the con- had they taken us off when the Plint viction was forced upon as that it's glo- went ashore, and, failing over on her ry had departed forever. Our spirits beam ends, become a prey to the fury were damped, especially Jack's; so we of the seaput ourselves outside the contents of our flasks at once, and sent Jack ashore the yacht whose bont had rescued us, to the hotel.

resolved to try what we could do with for the city, wiser, if not saider, menthe pump; so we doffed our coats and 1 N. Y. Dogatch. waistcoats and commenced work with a

will For three mortal hours we worked at that enchanting occupation; but as during the first hour and a helf the pump would not suck, we had got the Flirt and Mechanical Fair held Oct, 2-5 at half cleared of the water that was in her at the end of that time. Then the pump as a class have not much to attract the choked, and Four and I sat down and looked at each other, and tried to whistle | trot-and as the reports are, "finithe lo-

"I'm affort." him so long by himself, and we concluded we would go ashore; so we bailed a passing boat and hunted Jack up to his quarters.

of the hotel, with his clothes hanging farmers in local tairs seems to be that before a large fire, and an amount of they individually have no responsibility steam and stenen coming from them that was perfectly suffociding. Our adlite, for he had been lying stewing for a to the hands of those wire contrive to couple of hours, and as there was no manage it for their own interest and not bell-pull in the room, relief was impossi-

After rutting things to rights in a kind of way, we ordered dinner to be the name of the fair at Danbury imp is brought to the room, and having dressed it is for the general public, and all cus-Jack in a pair of blankets and the bed- es of the citizens take a local price to P. mat, set him in the place of honor at the. This I take it, is because it is a joint head of the table, but I have but a faint stock company, the shares of which are socollection of the other events of that held by some two hundred or more inch

evening. Anywhere it would be rish; but Green going back the road by which we had I took us ten days to get the pump in

yacht, and by that time we were pretty nearly tired of the First and all connected with her. Still, having got her once cleared, we thought we would like to have a sail in her ; so on the Friday previous to the Saturday upos which we had to return to town we rose early far the morning in order that we might get her under way before the bulk of the people were stirring. We britted a boy to take the loan of a small boat and put us on board and then sent him ashore It was blowing pretty tresh, and stormy looking ; but the First was a safe boat, if she was not fast, so we were not daunt ed by the appearance of the sky. We thought the first thing to do was to get up the anchor, so we commenced to neave the little winch, but the anchor had been so long down that it had got fixed in the bottom and would not come away easily. We were nearly an hour at this job, and so intent were we upon had been raving for the last fortnight, it that we did not notice how the san had risen and was causing our yacht to roif Chancing to rest a moment to wipe the sweat from my brow, I looked shoreward and was astonished to see that a heavy surt was rolling in on the beach, so heavy as to make it impossible to bands

Just as I turned to communicate my lieved himself by using language that discovery to the others, they made a trewould scarcely bear repetition in these mendous effort at the winch, which crosed the cable to snap, as we were There she was, though, and what wrift. Then Jack sprang to the helm as the post of responsibility-though The Ancient Mariner informed us with what he was going to do there I don't that sounded very like a chuckle, "that believe he had the taintest idea-and he gig was not ashore," at which re toated to us to heist away the foresail. mark Tom looked as if he could have. By the veriest accident we pitched upon swallowed him with pleasure, despite the the right halyards, and horsted away large cargo of whiskey with which he with great eagermss, but after we had was evidently encombered. It she was got the s it up we found we had forgot not very pretty, however, she was a to cas loose the gaskets, so that instead yacht of some sort, and we determined of a belly ug sail we had rather a tides. to board her, hoping that a gloser inspec - waisp of canvas up. Noticing our error, tion would reveal some redeeming teat we let go with such maste that the end ture in her; so we hired a small boat and of the indyard run throng the block! and pulled allogoide. Not being aware that procluded the possibility of our setting

into dur stern the moment we came near. Then we drifted-helplessly drifted enough to admit this view, while the toward the breakers which were roughly sound of a sudden plunge soil the gur- wan great violence upon the shore, gling sound of a period cholding, fell where a crowd who were impotent to upon Tom's car and more. Alarmed at heip us, was beginning to gather. We these indications, we hastily shapped heard hourse voices shouling directions dirty although we had understood. We saw water running from this hair and eyes men making transite gestures which were and nose, wide he ga-ped and splattered but unintelligible partonine to us; and in a most agonizing manner. It was not still the Fifth recied and humbled toward difficult to understand the cause of the the white water. It seemed as if our vessel into a small pond, the surface of boat approaching us from one of the

We were well entertained or board till tue evening, when we got on shore; Then Tone and I held a comocil, and and next morning we took the early train

The Danbury Fair.

It was my good fortune lately to be able to attend the Danbury Agricultural Danbury, Conn. While the local fairs average farmer- unless we except the cal fairs are running into the ground " Then it suddenly occurred to us that to say nothing of more pretentious conwe were not using Jack well in leaving ty and State fairs, it is with the more pleasure that I am able to report what a success is made of a fair in which all classes of citizens, manufacturers as well as farmers, take part. Let me say here We found him in bed in a bed-room that one cause of lack of interest among on their shoulders, or think they have none, and consequently the society dies vent probably saved the poor fellow,s from lack of interest, or the fair gets inthat of the general public. In this respect most of our fairs, if they are to be continued, need radical reformation. As yideals, and of course they are interest

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